CTAC RESOLUTION #24-06

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT TAKE THE **MITIGATE PIGEON NECESSARY** STEPS **IMMEDIATELY** TO INFESTATIONS AT METRORAIL STATIONS WITHOUT THE USE OF LETHAL METHODS AND TO CONTINUE EXPLORING NEW AND IMPROVED ALTERNATIVES TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) and the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) have established the Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) to advise it on transportation related matters, and

WHEREAS, the CTAC recognizes there is a pigeon infestation problem at Metrorail Stations, which produces unsanitary conditions caused by pigeon droppings that possess serious contaminants and potential health and safety risks, and

WHEREAS, CTAC requests MDT incorporate current exclusionary devices such as netting, slant boards, coiling, and spikes at all Metrorail Stations to control pigeon infestations and their associated droppings while continuing to research new and improved methods to incorporate in the future, and

WHEREAS, these devices will have a two-fold effect: the benefit of reducing the immediate dropping encounters with humans and in the longer term the pigeons will be forced out to less desirable areas making them less likely to remain at Metrorail Station facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITIZENS TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CTAC) OF THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION FOR THE MIAMI URBANIZED AREA:

SECTION 1: That CTAC recommends Miami-Dade Transit (MDT) take the necessary steps to mitigate pigeon infestations at Metrorail stations without the use of lethal methods.

SECTION 2: That CTAC recommends MDT continue exploring new and improved alternatives to address this issue.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Alan B. Fishman, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Barbara Walters, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Rolando Acosta James L. Bledsoe Andrew Burgess Claudius A. Carnegie	- Aye - Absent - Aye - Aye	Mario Martinez-Malo Carline Paul Emma Pringle Ramon Ramos	- Aye - Aye - Aye - Aye
Michael Dunn Daniel Fils-Aime Alan B. Fishman Hudson Gaulman, Jr.	- Nay - Absent - Aye - Aye	David Reiter Mario Rojas Bonnie Sterling Lee Swerdlin Barbara Walters	- Nay - Aye - Aye - Aye - Aye
Mac Glasgow Malou Harrison Ramon Irigoyen Marlon L. Kelly, Sr.	NayAbsentAbsentAbsent	Naomi Wright Andrea Young	- Aye - Absent

Chairperson Norman Wartman - Aye

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and approved this 13th day of December 2006.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CTAC) CITIZENS TRANSPORTATION

Elizabeth Rockwell, CTAO